# STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF MASTER PLUMBERS # 630- BUSINESS MEETING - AGENDA - JANUARY 28, 2016

#### **OPEN PUBLIC SESSION**

MEETING SCHEDULED TIME: 9:00 AM - HUDSON ROOM - 6th floor ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS

## **BOARD BUSINESS**

Documentation is provided on all matters unless otherwise noted.

## PRESENT BOARD MEMBERS - &- CAPACITIES

MAYOR PETER I. VOROS ~ MASTER PLUMBER MEMBER ~ CHAIRMAN

MICHAEL K. MALONEY ~ MASTER PLUMBER MEMBER - VICE CHAIRMAN

MICHAEL L. SESTANOVICH ~ INSPECTOR MEMBER - SECRETARY

ROBERT B. REEVE, LICENSED MASTER PLUMBER # 7388

JAMES MC MANUS, JR., JOURNEYMAN MEMBER

DONALD B. DILEO ~ PUBLIC MEMBER

PAUL N. BONTEMPO - PUBLIC MEMBER

ADAM J. SABATH ~ PUBLIC MEMBER

THOMAS C. PITCHERELLO ~ EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF STATE GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE

Total Board Complement (9):

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1.) IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF

Administrative Action

VINCENT J. DABUNDO License #36BI00430300

PROVISIONAL ORDER OF DISCIPLINE

TO PRACTICE AS A MASTER PLUMBER IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Filed 12-13-2013

The Board received a complaint from consumer "S.B." dated December 15, 2011. The complaint pertained to plumbing work respondent was contracted to perform on or about May 17, 2007. S.B. alleges he and respondent entered into a contract for the completion of plumbing work and heating on S.B.'s property. Respondent quoted a price of \$26,000.00, \$15,000.00 of which was to be a down payment, with \$6,000.00 to be paid after inspection and \$5,000.00 to be paid upon completion. The job was scheduled to be completed within sixty (60) days. A permit was obtained to begin the work.

According to S.B., respondent received payment in the amount of \$15,500.00, but never returned to perform any of the work. S.B. alleges he contacted respondent to inquire when the work would be completed and respondent stated that the contract was good for four (4) years.

On or about October 30, 2010, S.B. and respondent entered into an amended agreement. The amended agreement stated the project would be completed in thirty (30) days. If the project was not completed within that scheduled period, S.B. would be entitled to damages.

S.B., through his attorney, Edward Thompson, Esq., sent respondent a letter dated August 25, 2011. The letter stated that despite receiving payment from S.B., the project has not been completed and respondent is therefore in default of the contract and addendum. The letter gave respondent further opportunity to complete the project by September 9, 2011, otherwise S.B. would take legal action.

The Board sent a letter to respondent, dated January 3, 2012, requesting he provide a response to S.B.'s complaint. Respondent provided the requested response in a letter to the Board dated January 24, 2012. Respondent stated the project with S.B. had been on going for four and a half (4.5) years because three (3) years had passed between the time the proposal was presented and the time the contracts were signed and the permits were issued. Respondent stated the project could have been finished in four (4) weeks. Respondent also stated that the permit had been taken out by S.B. and there was a dispute over stolen materials which resulted in S.B. breaking the contract.

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FILE 12-13-2013

S.B. filed a complaint against respondent in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Special Civil Part, under docket number ATL-DC-010462-11. S.B. obtained a judgment in the amount of \$12,341.00 against respondent for breach of contract and failure to pull permits after a trial on April 17, 2012.

Respondent has failed to satisfy the judgment and has verbally informed the Board that he has no intention of paying the judgment that was entered against him.

- 1. Respondent was provisionally reprimanded, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-22, for the violations of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e)
- 2. Respondent's license to practice plumbing in the State of New Jersey was provisionally suspended for violating N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e), by not paying the valid \$12,341.00 judgment obtained against respondent by consumer S.B. Prior to the Board granting any request by respondent for reinstatement of his plumbing license, respondent shall be required to appear before the Board and provide documentation, demonstrating to the Board's satisfaction, that he has satisfied the judgment obtained against him by consumer S.B.
- 3. Respondent shall provisionally pay a civil penalty in the amount of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00), pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-22, in that respondent engaged in professional misconduct, in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e), by failing to complete the work he was contractually obligated to perform for consumer.

## **UPDATE**:

Correspondence dated June 4, 2014 from the consumer's attorney indicates that the judgement was paid in full and there is no longer any claim against Mr. Dabundo.

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2.) DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE LETTER DATED: NOVEMBER 6, 2015 FROM: ROBERT E. MCGRATH, LIEUTENANT RECORDS AND IDENTIFICATION

RONALD R. TILLET, III - GRANDSON AND SON OF LICENSED MASTER PLUMBER AND LICENSED MASTER HVACR

3.) UNIFORM PENALTY LETTER DATED: NOVEMBER 23, 2015 \$2,500 PENALTY FOR UNLICENSED PRACTICE PAID: DECEMBER 14, 2015

GEORGE WISE, UNLICENSED, T/A GEORGE'S MECHANICAL, UNLICENSED MARY D. BOHEN, CONSUMER, FILE ID: #107212

4.) RENEWAL OF LICENSE; LICENSE REACTIVATION; LICENSE REINSTATEMENT; RENEWAL OF CERTIFICATES; CERTIFICATE REACTIVATION; CERTIFICATE REINSTATEMENT

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS: N.J.A.C. 13:32-2.6 AND 7.7 PROPOSED NEW RULES: N.J.A.C. 13:32-2.6A, 2.6B, 7.8, AND 7.9

◆ It is noted that applications for the Master Plumber's ◆
examination, Master Plumber's business registration
forms, and Bona fide Representative registrations are reviewed by Board Members during the course of each business meeting.

Applications for Medical Gas Piping installers, brazers and instructors are also reviewed at this time.